

**Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting**

**May 27, 2021**

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Congress at 9:05A.M.

**ROLL CALL:**

Commissioners Present:	Melanie Congress, Chair Nicole McHale, Vice Chair Barbara Ruben Linda Uhler, Secretary
Commissioners Excused:	Roy Gibson Sandy Zahorchak, Treasurer

There is a quorum in the room.

Staff Present: Margaret Mohundro, Executive Director  
Cathy Cameron, Clerk

- 1. SETTING OF AGENDA:** The Agenda was set as presented.
- 2. BOARD APPOINTMENT DISCUSSION:** Discussion was heard on applicants considered for appointment to the Board of Commissioners. Oath of Office expected at will be made at the June, 2021 meeting.

*A motion was made by Linda Uhler, seconded by Nicole McHale appointing Susan Holly to the Board of Commissioners. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote. Votes called: Yes – Commissioner McHale, Commissioner Uhler, Commissioner Ruben, Commissioner Congress. No – none.*

- 3. PUBLIC COMMENT:** None.
- 4. SECRETARY'S REPORT:** Minutes from March 25, 2021 Regular Board Meeting will be held for approval.
- 5. TREASURER'S REPORT:** Defer to June Meeting.
- 6. DIRECTOR'S REPORT:** Building and Grounds update: roof repair has been completed; routine maintenance was completed on elevators and doors; a new bench, planters and bike rack were placed in the front of the Library near the walking bridge - the bench was donated by the Art League in memory of Anne Bishoff; Archives work is continuing with Staffer Beth Jerrell working hard on the project; State Aid to Libraries Grant was approved by Governor DeSantis - Sanibel Public Library District will receive approximately \$30,000 which is about \$1,500 higher than anticipated; SWFLN received \$220,000 Federal grant for training and education, which is good news, but the doors will still need to close on 9/30/3021 if there is no state funding for operations; SWFLN closure will affect the District in many areas - OverDrive and eBooks, Inter Library Loans, etc.; eRate grant was received in the amount of \$3,500; Summer Reading Program, **Tails & Tales** will continue to support Reading for Others in providing books to children at Golisano Children's Hospital and participants will receive a badge book and a book bag upon registration.

**CURBSIDE PICKUP:** Discussion was heard; patrons would like curbside pickup forever; convenience to patrons; possible operational or sustainability questions – approximately 20 hours of staff time per week to run. Executive Director Mohundro will re-evaluate the service at season and as the pandemic subsides.

**STRATEGIC PLAN:** *Strategic Plan, DRAFT 2* was reviewed by the Board. The Action Plan will coincide with the Strategic Plan.

*A motion was made by Commissioner Uhler, seconded by Commissioner Congress approving the Strategic Plan 2021-26 as presented. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.*

**SOLAR DISCUSSION/LANDSAPE DISCUSSION:** Discussion was heard on implementation of solar roof panels; would generate about one half of the power used by the Library; connects directly to the electric meter; return on investment would be seen in approximately ten years; consideration of roof replacement or removal and cost of labor

to remove and replace solar panels; consideration of solar seating areas in landscape project; Library could ask for initial funding from the Foundation as a pilot project; Executive Director Mohundro will gather additional information on solar power and possibly have the representative come in to talk with the Board. The Board was asked to provide names of landscape designers to Executive Director Mohundro to assist with the landscape project.

7. **FOUNDATION UPDATE:** None.

8. **UPCOMING MEETING DATES:**

*The Board will convene at 9:00 A.M. on:*

Thursday, June, 24, 2021

Thursday, July 22, 2021

9. **ADJOURNMENT - 10:40 A.M.** by Commissioner Congress



Linda Uhler, Secretary  
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